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Everyone I know is seriously concerned about the ongoing environmental degradation in the U.S. We are losing our precious natural lands, and the magnificent wildlife that lives within it.

Accordingly, we support the draft Cleanup and Abatement Order issued on January 23, 2009 by the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board to the El Dorado County Department of Transportation.

Off-road vehicles exact tremendous damage on natural and wild spaces. This is seen in particular on the Rubicon Trail. Please stop the ongoing erosion, soil compaction, and damage to plants and animals. We must all support the Regional Board's effort to prevent this situation from worsening even further and believe that such actions are long overdue.

Lastly, the Regional Board and staff deserves recognition for its evaluation of the impacts on the Rubicon from off-road vehicle use. And also for initiating the process needed to stop this damage from continuing.

Let's start a new era by formally adopting the draft Cleanup and Abatement Order. thank you.

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